

THE BOOMING OF FRANCIS

Longer a Mere Matter of Friendly Compliment,

It a Part of Long Laid Plans

the First Time the Story of the Inception and Growth of the Francis Boom for President of the United States is Given to the Public.

Washington, D. C., March 24.—The existence for the belief that there is in the little presidential boom, more than is indicated in the paper paragraphs that have appeared during the past week. It is that the mention of Mr. Francis as a presidential possibility is a mere compliment on the part of friends, nor is it to be regarded as a natural consequence of the recent success of the Missouri man has been reason of the success of his campaign in the interest of the world's fair, of which he is president. The launching of the boom, it is now learned by the friends of the movement, has been maturing for several years and in which several Democratic leaders of wide prominence are very interested. The return of Mr. Francis from Europe last week and the holding of a banquet in his honor at the Francis Hotel, was considered by the promoters of the movement as a fitting opportunity to put out a "feeler" and ascertain public opinion in regard to the candidacy of Mr. Francis.

The story of the inception and growth of the Francis boom is now told for the first time. Francis is a former Democratic congressman from Texas, a man who has stood high in the country, his party and who is one of the chief figures in the movement which has for its object the nomination of David R. Francis for the presidency at the next Democratic national convention.

He summer of 1901 a considerable number of old-time Democratic leaders of the south and west were at Colorado by the meeting of the national irrigation congress. At the conclusion of the meeting these leaders lingered for several days at Colorado Springs and as he supposed the recent defeat of Bryan and the probable standard-bearer of the party in 1904 were the subject of discussion. What at first was an informal discussion developed into a serious conference and before the meeting broke up the participants had agreed among themselves that a conservative old-line Democrat was needed to lead the party to victory and furthermore that a western man was necessary. A canvass of the available timber led to the conclusion that ex-Governor Francis stood the best show.

The conference dispersed with the understanding that their leaders of the party should be consulted in the matter and one of the number—the ex-congressman from Texas before mentioned—was delegated to come east and interview the party leaders. Before he reached New York, however, President McKinley had been assassinated at Buffalo and for the time being the movement was allowed to slumber. At a conference held in Washington during the last session of congress the movement was revived and recent developments in the political world have strengthened the belief of those who originated the boom that a Democrat of the Francis stamp would be the best candidate to put up against Mr. Roosevelt.

Mr. Francis is described by those men as the most popular Democrat in Missouri. He was governor four years. He was secretary of the interior in the cabinet of President Cleveland succeeding Hoke Smith, and his friends claim he is the biggest man in point of personality and accomplishments in the whole southwest. He may have voted for Bryan in 1896, although he fought the 16 to 1 movement in his state and was beaten in the famous Pertle Springs convention early in 1896 which gave the free silver movement its impetus. He supported the Bryan ticket in 1900 and through his efforts made St. Louis a Democratic city. It is further pointed out that as president of the St. Louis fair he will be conspicuous in the public eye during the next year or more, and the influence which this position is bound to have on his candidacy is a factor that must be taken into consideration.

pointment but against whom Senator Pritchard brought charges of party perjury. Postoffice investigation sustained Pritchard's charges.

UPHOLDS BEAL LAW.

Columbus, O., Mar. 24.—The supreme court today sustained the constitutionality of the Beal local option law of last winter. The decision came in the habeas corpus case of Ohio ex rel John Lloyd against J. B. Dollison, sheriff of Guernsey county. Lloyd had himself arrested for the violation of the local option law for the purpose of bringing on a test case.

BLIND WRITER

Celebrates Her 83rd Birthday Anniversary.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 24.—Fanny Crosby, the popular hymn writer, was the recipient of an ovation today on the occasion of her eighty-third birthday. During the past half century Miss Crosby has been writing hymns and has turned out more than 5,000, many of which have attained wide popularity. Among the most widely known of her efforts are "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," "Recall the Perishing" and "I Shall Know Him."

CULLINGWORTH

Of Plum Pudding Fame Passed Away Today.

Richmond, Va., Mar. 24.—Wm. H. Cullingworth, postmaster under President Cleveland for two terms, died this morning at the age of 66 years. He was known as the man who made a thousand pound plum pudding and served it at a banquet on Cleveland's first election.

FIRE IN PITTSBURG

Pittsburg, Mar. 24.—Fire broke out in the McElvree Furniture Co. building this morning on Penn avenue. The loss is \$400,000. Two firemen were rendered unconscious by smoke and taken to the hospital.

POPULAR TED

Will be a Guest of Marcus On the Return Trip.

Cleveland, Mar. 24.—Senator Hanna will have President Roosevelt as his guest after the president's return from the west. At that time Mrs. Ruth Hanna will be married to Joseph M. McCormick of Chicago. Miss Alice Roosevelt will also be a guest of the Hannas.

REBELS

Have Gained Possession of the City of San Domingo.

Washington, March 24.—U. S. consul general Maxwell cabled the state department today that the city of San Domingo is in possession of revolutionists, the government forces having been defeated. He says that President Vasquez is now in Mocha.

BOILER LETS GO.

Louisville, Mar. 24.—Three men were killed and six were injured by the explosion of a new mill boiler near Wickliffe today. The three killed were in the office for which postmaster Vickliffe was a candidate for congress.

NEW SHIPS

To be Put in Commission During the Season.

Ten Steel Steamships Will be Used for Export Trade on the Great Lakes.

Duluth, Minn., March 24.—The Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Transportation Company of Duluth will put into commission during the season about to open ten steel steamships for the export trade between the upper lakes and Europe. The service will be a new and important one and it is understood that a large trade has been worked up, not only in grain and flour, but in some heavy manufactured goods, which have been handicapped heretofore for the export market on account of excessive freights.

The fleet will run from the head of the lakes through to Quebec and Montreal, where the cargoes will be transhipped. In order that they may carry cargoes of salt through the Canadian canals to size water the new vessels are to be not more than 225 feet long. They will have a capacity of 2,800 tons, however, and will carry 2,200 tons of the fourteen foot draught permitted by the present Canadian canals.

WATER RIOTS.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Mar. 24.—In water riots here yesterday, six were killed by British sailors from the cruiser Pallas. Increase in the cost of water has caused trouble. In the course of the riot, the governor's house was attacked and he barely escaped with his life, taking refuge on the Pallas. It took 200 sailors with galling guns to quell the mob.

HEAVY LOSS

Caused by the Water Tax Riots. Sailors do Police Duty.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, March 24.—Damage done by mobs in the water tax riots yesterday will aggregate \$250,000. Sailors and marines are still doing police duty. People are excited and the situation is dangerous.

The Weather.

Washington, March 24.—Ohio, in increasing cloudiness with snow or rain in northern portions, fair in southern portions tonight and Wednesday.

Grain and Pork.

Chicago, Ill., Mar. 24.—Closing May wheat 72 1/8, corn 43, oats 37 1/2, and pork 17 20.

LIFE WAS TOO SHORT TO WAIT.

Daughter of Ex-Senator Thurston and Young Real Estate Man Thought So, and Eloped.

Washington, Mar. 24.—Miss Jean M. Thurston, daughter of former Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, and Ernest Hall Coolidge, a young real estate man of this city, boarded a trolley car on the sixteenth of this month and rode to Rockville, Md., where they were married. The news of the wedding did not reach the ears of the young people's parents until yesterday. The bride is 17 years of age and the groom 21. Owing to their youth the parents had objected. The bride is still at the home of her parents and the groom is under his father's roof.

ERUPTION OF LA SOUFRIERE

Began on the Morning of the 22nd and Subsided in the Afternoon of the Same Day.

London, Mar. 24.—A cablegram regarding the eruption of Mount La Soufriere was received at the Colonial office today from the Governor of Windward Island, Sir Robert Baxter. The dispatch was dated St. Vincent, March 23, in which it was stated that the eruption of the volcano began at 6:30 o'clock that morning. There were immense clouds of smoke but there was a comparative absence of lightning. No injury was done beyond a fall of mud and stones, two or three inches deep at Georgetown. In the afternoon the dispatch stated that the eruption had subsided and the eruption of the volcano had subsided.

ANOTHER DAY OF THE INQUEST.

RECAPTURED

Philippine Town Which Ladrones Had Taken.

Manila, March 24.—American troops have recaptured the town of Surigao in Mindanao, which was taken by Ladrones last Sunday. The outlaws did not harm the American officials and other foreigners in the town. They were found well and safe when the soldiers reached the place. The Ladrones fled on the approach of United States troops.

JEWELS STOLEN.

New York, Mar. 24.—The police are looking today for Geo. Bossuth, butler for Alfred Nathan, who disappeared last Saturday, taking jewelry valued at \$25,000, belonging to Mrs. Nathan. Bossuth left a note which read: "Madame, I have taken your jewels, so you need suspect no one else. Now, I'll tell you what I'll do. If you keep the matter quiet, and don't make any fuss, I'll send you the pawn tickets, maybe, but if you set the police on my heels, I'll stay in cover and get away, to Europe possibly. Regards to the little boy." "GEORGE"

ROOSEVELT

Will Send Shah of Persia a Present.

New York, March 24.—Richmond Pearson, the United States minister to Persia, takes with him when he leaves for his post today several handsome presents for the Shah. Among them is a present which President Roosevelt is sending to the Persian ruler and a typewriter fitted with Persian characters which Mr. Pearson intends as a personal gift.

Grain and Pork.

Chicago, Ill., Mar. 24.—Closing May wheat 72 1/8, corn 43, oats 37 1/2, and pork 17 20.

Mrs. Burdick Subjected to a Very Trying Ordeal at the Inquest.

Story of Faithlessness Told.

Several Letters were Read in Open Court Today Which Show the Mad Infatuation Pennell and the Murdered Man's Wife Had Had for Each Other.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 24.—Pale and haggard in appearance but otherwise remarkably composed, Mrs. Alice Hull-Burdick, widow of Edwin L. Burdick, underwent a merciless examination by district attorney Coatsworth yesterday afternoon at the resumption of the inquest into the death of her husband, who was murdered on February 25.

Mr. Coatsworth forced Mrs. Burdick to tell the story of her relations with Pennell from the time he first made love to her in New Haven in 1898 until 1901, when these relations were renewed after Burdick had forgiven his wife and had taken her back to his home for the sake of their children.

Mrs. Burdick was deathly pale while on the witness stand. She answered questions in a low, faltering tone, craving a direct answer whenever possible and reluctantly admitting facts when the district attorney pitilessly read extracts of the love letters to her by Arthur R. Pennell.

Mrs. Burdick testified that she would be 42 years of age on April 20. She was married to Burdick in 1886. They had three children. She met Pennell at a card party five or six years ago at which Mr. Burdick was present. She went to New Haven and New York with the Pennells in 1899. Mr. Burdick did not go, being detained by business. No unusual friendship sprang up between her and Pennell. Witness did not recall a letter from Pennell written in New Haven in 1900.

At this point attorney Hartzell, Mrs. Burdick's counsel, asked what was the purpose of the questions.

Judge Murphy said he could not object to her answering any questions that might hold Mrs. Burdick up to the public ridicule.

"We do not object, but we trust that no unnecessary questions will be asked," said Mr. Hartzell.

The district attorney produced a letter and handed it to the witness, who trembled violently.

"Do you recognize it as Pennell's handwriting?"

"Yes," whispered Mrs. Burdick.

"And you recall the incident now?" "Yes, sir."

After some further examination, Mrs. Burdick was permitted to leave the stand. Court was adjourned until this morning at 10 o'clock.

TODAY'S TRIAL

Mrs. Burdick Again Placed on the Witness Stand.

Buffalo, March 24.—The court was crowded when Mrs. Burdick mounted the stand this morning. A letter was read which Burdick sent to his wife saying he would press the divorce suit though it would ruin him socially and financially. Mrs. Burdick told of meetings she had with Pennell several times at a house on Seventh street. She said the time Burdick caught Pennell there, Burdick came home and told her she must leave his house. Then she went to Niagara Falls. Pennell was with her. He took dinner with her but never stayed over night at the same hotel. Later Mrs. Burdick went to New York and Atlantic City, being gone three weeks. During this time she saw Pennell frequently, only returning to Buffalo after the murder.

Pennell's Plan.

The witness (Mrs. Burdick) and Pennell had expected Mrs. Pennell to obtain a divorce, but when the last named declined to procure one, Pennell decided to defend Burdick's suit. Pennell told the witness that when she had been divorced, he would go west, procure a divorce and then marry her. She did not know whether Pennell had any private means, as he was a silent, reserved man and told her nothing of his private affairs, though she was intimately acquainted with him for six years.

A Letter From Mrs. Pennell.

Among other letters read was one Mrs. Pennell wrote Burdick asking him to take his wife back for the sake of his children. "I know you well, Eddie," the letter said "and appeal to your noble nature for the sake of the dear little children, who came into the world not of their own will. Think of them and do not risk losing their love. One line of telegram to Allie will be a great victory for your honor and better nature."

COAL MEN ENJOINED.

Illinois and Ten Indiana Companies Must Cease Fixing the Price of Coal for the Present, at Least.

ago, March 24.—Judge Kohlsaat, United States district court this morning issued a temporary injunction restraining one Illinois and ten Indiana coal companies, as individuals, from continuing their contract to fix and maintain the price of coal which is held to be in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act. All were recently indicted in Chicago and given a hearing in the state court but charges against them were dismissed on the ground that the federal courts alone had jurisdiction.

CAPITAL

of the John W. Swan, Increased Today.

Washington, Mar. 24.—The John W. Swan, a Lima ship, today increased its cargo of coal to 10,000 tons.

CHARGES

Of Perfidy Sustained Against Roosevelt's Nominee.

Washington, March 24.—The people's party today appointed A. T. Ferguson, postmaster at Wilkes, N. C. This is the office for which postmaster Vickliffe was a candidate for congress.

SENT INTO ETERNITY.

James Sullivan, Member of Dangerous Gang, Electrocuted Today for the Murder of a Bank Watchman.

Plattsburg, N. Y., Mar. 24.—James P. Sullivan was electrocuted at Clinton prison, Dannemora at precisely 11:30 o'clock this morning for the murder of bank watchman Matthew Wilson, at Cobleskill, N. Y., in October 1900. Sullivan was one of the party of six who left Albany early on that evening for the purpose of robbing the post office and the First National bank at Cobleskill. All of these six men have since been arrested except Chas. Ballard, who was killed by the premature explosion of dynamite while attempting to crack a safe at Richmond, Va. Of the others, Hinch is now in the death house at Clinton prison, awaiting a determination of his case by the court of appeals. "Dublin Ned" is also in the Clinton prison, serving a nine year sentence for complicity in a year sentence for burglary and "Canada Blackie" and "Sheeny Harris" are still in Schoharie county, awaiting trial.

Chicago Stock Market.

Chicago, March 24.—Cattle 3,000, active, steady; hogs 15,000, active, steady; sheep 4,000, active, steady.

Live Stock Market.

East Liberty, March 24.—Cattle 500, active, steady; hogs 1,000, active, steady; sheep 200, active, steady.

A FIELD OF PROMISE

Is Located in a Portion of Madison County, in the Hoosier State.

Although Somewhat Spotted, the Production on the Average, is Large Enough to Warrant Some Lively Work of the Drill During the Year.

OIL MARKET.

Texas oil	\$1.65
Pennsylvania oil	1.50
Somerset oil	.95
Corning oil	1.30
New Castle oil	1.37
North Lima oil	1.11
South Lima oil	1.06
Indiana oil	1.06

One of the most promising sections of the Hoosier state at present seems to be that located in the southern part of Fairmount township, and extending on the west to Liberty township, with a little farther extension on the south, into VanBuren of Madison county. This is comparatively new territory, and the work of development is being pushed very rapidly and in most cases the results are such as will have a tendency to cause a continuance of operations and it looks as if it would only be a matter of time until there would be a connecting link between Fairmount and Alexander developments or the worthlessness of the territory is somewhat spotted, and that very light wells are found within a short range of exceptionally good ones, but this is the case in a great many other portions of the field, and taken as a whole, the wells in the Fairmount are of a fair calibre with here and there, one far above the average. So far the wells have held up in a very gratifying manner, and some that started off with a large production have decreased very little, and this is considered by the practical oil men as one of the main features on which to form an opinion as to the value of any property. Most of the territory belonging to the gas companies is being operated on for oil, as the gas pressure is diminishing considerably, and the gas companies are not slow in grasping the idea that the oil business is a paying industry, and are also turning their attention to the development of considerable territory.

The Manufacturers Natural Gas Co. is not meeting with the best of success in getting the oil out of its well on the Nancy Relfe farm, in section 1, of Fairmount township. It was drilled in about a month ago, and started off pumping at a surprising rate, but after having been pumped for a week, it was decided to pull the tubing, on account of it needing repairs and when put back in, was pumped and made a tank. It then caved in and the tubing had to be pulled again. When pulling it the last time, the crown pulley was jerky out of the derrick, and they are now using jacks on the tubing, and expect to have it in shape in a few days. The antics of this well will be watched very closely, as it was an old gasser and when it showed signs of oil, was drilled deeper, and started off with a good production. This company has a lease on one acre of the farm, which consists of twenty acres, and the remainder is held by R. Sutton & Co. These latter parties are drilling their first well on the property and have it 55 feet in the sand but it is not deep enough yet to strike the pay.

The Consumers Gas Trust Co. has encountered a little trouble in its second well on the Wm. N. Lindsay farm, in the way of a very strong gas pressure, and is unable to pump it for the greasy fluid. However, there is a good showing of oil, and when the gas pressure diminishes, it is expected that it will be a very good producer. The first well, which was drilled in on this farm last September, and started off producing salt water at a good rate, is now making about a tank of oil a day and has been holding up at that rate for considerable time. This property is also located in section 4, of Fairmount township, and is a little east of the Relfe farm.

The above company has a rig up for its first well on the W. H. Underwood farm, in the same section. It adjoins the Relfe on the south and has been operated on by the Indiana Natural Gas Co. with good results. Its No. 1, which was completed about seven weeks ago started off with a production of 40 barrels, and still continues to make about the same amount. Its No. 2, started off with a production of 25 barrels for the first day, but whether or not it will hold up as well as No. 1, is still a question, as it was just recently completed. It is now drilling No. 3.

Another farm in this section which gives promise of being productive of good wells is the A. R. Dillon, located within a short distance of the Relfe and Underwood properties. It is a 40 acre piece, and Decker and Sons have a lease on 30 acres, while the other 10 acres is held by the Indiana Natural Oil and Gas Company.

The former recently completed a well on this farm, which started off with a production for the first day of 110 barrels, and is still holding up at the rate of 40 barrels. The wells in this section not only appear to be large producers, but up to the present have displayed remarkable staying qualities, and the wells on the above farms might be said to be as good as any in the lower Grant county field.

The latter company has a rig up for its first well on the other part of the Dillon property, and the result of this well will be watched with much interest.

Borrey & Sage's first well on the Florence Underwood farm, adjoining the Wm. Underwood, on the east, was reported as starting off with a production of 35 barrels, but it is thought that it will do much better when the present tubing is replaced. It was pulled a few days ago and steamed and a large leak was found, and when a new joint is put in, the owners think that it will be good for 60 or 70 barrels.

The Consumers Gas Trust Co.'s No. 1, on the W. H. Underwood farm made 25 barrels during the first twenty-four hours after the shot.

The Enterprise Transit company has a rig up for No. 1, on the J. Deam farm also located in section 4, and the Lafayette Gas Co.'s No. 1, on the J. Barber farm, is drilling in the sand.

The Indiana Natural Gas Co.'s No. 2, is drilling in the sand.

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reels for an initial output. No. 1 on this farm has been pumping salt water, and No. 2 has the tools stuck. The latter well was drilled in and shot and made a very good showing, but when cleaning out the tools stuck, and pumping has been delayed somewhat as a result. However, it was pumped for a short time over the tools, and made a first class showing, and although an estimate cannot be made as to its production, it is considered as being in the class of the other good producers in that district.

The Fairmount Glass Co. is drilling its third well on the Fairmount Glass Co. property, located in section 5.

West of the town of Fairmount, there is considerable activity, and the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. which is conducting the bulk of operations in that territory, is not losing any time in the way of drilling up its leases, and must be prepared to take advantage of the high price of credit balances.

In section 30 this concern has finished up its first well, on the M. D. Winslow farm, with a production for the first twenty-four hours after the shot of 20 barrels. No. 2, on the same farm is producing salt water, but has signs of making a well when the saline fluid is exhausted.

No. 3 on this farm is also producing salt water, but most wells in this locality start off in this way and in a short time, produce the more valuable fluid. No. 4, is drilling.

On the R. R. Pool farm, adjoining the Winslow on the west, the same company has completed No. 2, with a production of 15 barrels, and No. 3 is good for twice that much. It is now drilling No. 4. This property is also located in section 30.

It has also completed its No. 2 and 3 on the Fred Oakley farm in the same section, and as a result, has a water pump and a 10 barrel. The first well on this farm started off at a good rate and for a long time was good for a tank a day, but it is declining somewhat. These last two completions do not make the property look as good as the first, but it is thought that after the water is exhausted in No. 3, it will turn in and make considerable oil.

In section 31, south of the Oakley and Pool farm, the same company has completed its No. 4, on the Wm. Bell with a good showing. When drilled in the well made a nice spray and when pumped for two hours, produced 60 barrels. The tubing has been pulled and the well is being cleaned out. Nos. 5, 6, and 7 are drilling and rigs are up for Nos. 8 and 9.

In section 25, Liberty township, the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. has completed its first well on the J. Seal farm, with a good showing. Its output for the first twenty-four hours after the shot being 40 barrels it has been completed for two weeks, but only one tank has been pumped, on account of the well not being connected with the pipe line, and during that time the head had not been pumped off. This is located directly west of the development in section 30, Fairmount, and this company is doing considerable work in that locality.

On the M. L. Gaddess farm, in the same section, the above company is rushing development work, and during the last month has completed 3 wells, and at present is drilling 3, and has a rig up for another. Of the late completions, No. 4 produced 15 barrels, No. 5 is pumping salt water, and No. 6 is good for 18 barrels. No. 7, 8 and 9 are drilling, and a rig is up for No. 10.

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MINISTERS

From Surrounding Towns Attend Lima Meetings.

All Day Service at Van Wert Thursday at Which Major Cole Will Speak and Prof. and Mrs. Lowe Will Sing.

A very interesting and profitable service was held at the Market street Presbyterian church at 9:30 Monday. Three ministers from towns outside of Lima were present, participating with the Lima ministers and Major Cole in the services. There were 10 ministers present. Major Cole gave a talk on the 24th chapter of Luke which he calls the "Open Chapter." Following the scriptural exposition a praise service was held and following that a long-continued season of prayer, in which the ministers and many others took part. Prof. and Mrs. Lowe sang some of their impressive songs at this service.

At the C. H. & D. R. R. shops a noon-day service was held and 125 men were addressed. There are some very earnest Christian workers among the men in the C. H. & D. shops, and since the union meetings began, some of these men have accepted and confessed Christ. Major Cole had called on these men, he asked them to return his call in coming to the union meetings at Trinity church in the evening.

As it was raining at 7:30 in the evening the attendance at the meeting was reduced somewhat. After some chorus singing, Prof. Lull sang a solo very impressively. Later in the service Prof. and Mrs. Lowe sang a duet which was very helpful in developing the devotional spirit of the service. Major Cole made the test and found there were very few present who were not Christians. He therefore made his talk along the line of the plan of campaign. He emphasized, as he is constantly doing, the importance of personal work. Individual work with individuals, not only in the meetings but in the homes, on the streets, in the stores and offices, wherever men and women meet is to be the way in which the work is to be developed. The members of the early church went everywhere preaching the Gospel. They were at it as recorded in Acts 1-4. He stated that his reasons for urging so strongly, that all Christians take some part in the plan of campaign by way of testimony was to loosen their tongues so they would speak to individuals outside of the meetings on the things of the Gospel. A meeting of consecration was held in which, around the altar and in all parts of the church ministers and others knelt in a long-continued season of prayer for a blessing that would give freedom in personal work. During this season of prayer Major Cole had personal conversation with a man in the audience who accepted Christ and confessed Him before the audience just before the benediction was pronounced.

Many of the ministers expressed satisfaction with the results of Sunday's work and the way the interest and work are developing.

Ministers from Van Wert have secured Major Cole for two hours at their all day meeting on Thursday. Prof. and Mrs. Lowe will also sing at Van Wert on Thursday.

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MEETING

Of Pennsylvania Railroad Stockholders Today.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 24. — The proceedings of the meeting today of the stockholders of the Pennsylvania railroad were of a purely routine character in accordance with the decision previously reached by the retiring directors, George Wood, W. H. Barnes and C. Stuart Patterson, were re-elected for a period of four years. The resolution to increase the capital stock by \$150,000,000 was ratified. No other business of importance came before the meeting.

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THE STAGE.

"The Emerald Isle," the new Sir Arthur Sullivan opera, that ran a whole year at the Savoy theatre, London, and nearly half a year at the Herald square theatre, New York, and which is to be rendered in this city by Jefferson De Angelis and his opera company, at Faurst opera house tonight is the last work of the famous author of Pinafore, Patience, The Mikado, Iolanthe, Utopia, The Pirates of Penzance, etc., and is said to be a splendid blending of melody suggestive of all of Sir Arthur's operas. The New York Herald calls it Sir Arthur's swan song—a gentle reference to the fact that the famous composer died while engaged on the last part of the work.

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JO GEIGER IS DEAD.

Columbus, O., March 24. — General Joseph H. Geiger, orator, lecturer, humorist, wit, lawyer and statesman, died Saturday at Worthington, Ohio.

General Geiger was 85 years of age last November and for many years was a most prominent figure in the affairs of the state. Last Wednesday his stomach failed him and since that time he had been unable to take any nourishment. He had been living in Worthington for a number of years, and it was in that village in the home of Dr. D. H. Wellins, that the end came. Death was due to a gradually wasting away of the system. For a number of years the general has been very feeble and it has been known for some time that the end was not far off.

General Geiger was known throughout the country as the homeliest man in the state and he was accustomed to take pride in the fact and mention it in his public speeches. His physiognomy was remarkable. Always a diminutive specimen of manhood, his features resembled those of a hawk, with nose and chin nearly meeting. He was not quite five feet in height but the small body contained the brain and spirit of a giant.

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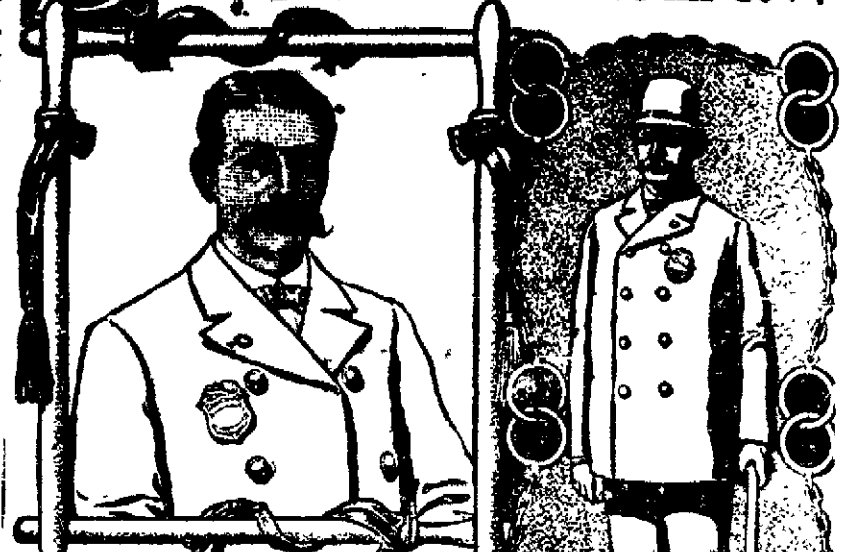
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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

County Treasurer.
We are authorized to announce the name of Wilbur Risk, of Lima, as a candidate for county treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. M. Arnitt, as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democracy of Allen county, at the county convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of Miner C. Crossley, of Lima, as a candidate for nomination for the office of county treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of Arnold B. King, of Delphos, as a candidate for nomination for County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

For Sheriff.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. J. Barr as a candidate for nomination for second term for Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

For Coroner.

We are authorized to announce the name of Dr. A. Elce as a candidate for nomination for second term for Coroner, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

For Representative.

We are authorized to announce the name of John W. Manges as a candidate for nomination for second term for Representative, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

For County Commissioner.

We are authorized to announce the name of D. S. Cotner, of Jackson township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic County convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of F. W. Owen, of Richland township precinct, as a candidate for nomination for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of Addison S. Hooker, of Spencerville as a candidate for nomination for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of A. L. Conrad, of Bluffton, Richland township, as a candidate for nomination for County Commissioner subject to decision of the Democratic county convention.

County Surveyor.

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C. C. CRAIG.

We are authorized to announce the name of C. Z. Morey, of Spencer township as a candidate for Surveyor of Allen county, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

Infirmary Director.

We are authorized to announce the name of C. H. Mosier of Marion township, as a candidate for the nomination of Infirmary Director of Allen County, subject to the decision of the Democratic convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of Gus Oen, of German township as a candidate for nomination for county Infirmary Director, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

Robert Kircowke, of German township is a candidate for the nomination of Infirmary Director, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention.

AN UNSAVORY ADMINISTRATION.

The B. A. Chaney episode in mayor Rogers' court has placed that official in a most unenviable position, and one which he cannot explain to the satisfaction of anyone except himself, the culprit who was sentenced to the work house for an offense, or to her consort Hesler. Most unsavory charges are being made as to how the case was compromised so that the convicted and sentenced woman, who was ordered taken to the Columbus work house by one of the city police should at the very last moment, be sent to Mt. Clemens in charge of her consort, and be granted a perfect immunity from punishment for her transgressions.

The situation as to this woman is not a bit more flagrant than many others which have made the administration of Mayor Rogers a by-word. There has never been a time in the history of the city of Lima when there was the same laxness in the punishment of offenders as has prevailed under the administration of Mayor Rogers, the present incumbent of the mayor's office. From the moment of his induction into office until the present time, he has studiously and persistently refrained from a policy which would have a tendency to improve the public morals or even preserve that somewhat uncertain quantity which is called honor. For the past year, this town has been a hot-bed of crime. Gambling, drunkenness and licentiousness have run riot, until the name of Lima has become a synonym for free open towns where the standard district dictates and controls legislation. Scandalous has this become, that neighboring newspapers speak of Lima, Sedon and Gomorrah as three of a kind in point of public morals.

People who desire a well governed town in which to live and rear their children, have revolted against an administration in which but empty promises are given to them while the reins of the city government are practically placed in the control of persons who imagine that laws are made but to be broken and who take more delight in the breach than the observance of those restrictions which are created for the purpose of securing a clean, orderly administration and protecting people against the criminal classes.

HOW THE FUEL PROBLEM IS SOLVED IN THE DAKOTAS.

During the winter of 1902-03, four hundred thousand tons of "green" lignite, as the coal directly from the mine is styled, will be sold at an average price of \$1.30 at the mine. Throughout the greater part of North Dakota, the users of lignite save from one third to one half of the cost of eastern fuel. The field that the lignite reaches includes all of North and

South Dakota and Minnesota as far as St. Paul. Had the capacity of the mines been doubled during the present winter, all of the output could have been sold without reduction of price. Mine equipment that is now nearly complete indicates for next year an output that will be valued at nearly a million dollars. This means that within a very few years North Dakota will supply her own fuel and that of the neighboring states on the east.

Throughout the country north and west of the Missouri river, in North Dakota and Montana, the settlers need go but a few miles from his ranch to a lignite bank. At hundreds of points he strips off the dirt with plow and scraper, helps himself to tons of fuel, and pays no one. Very often the lignite outcrops on his own land, and at times in his own dooryard. This cheap and abundant fuel has been one of the main stimuli that have led to the recent rapid settling of western North Dakota. From "The Coal Deposits of the Northwest," by Frank A. Wilder.

SUPPORT THE PAPER.

Speaking of what a newspaper does for a community, United States Senator David Davis, of Illinois, made an address that remains very green in the memories of newspaper men. He said: "Every year every local paper gives from 500 to 5000 free lines for the benefit of the community in which it is located. No other agency can or will do this. The editor in proportion to this means does more for his town than any other man, and in all fairness, man with man, he ought to be supported—not because you happen to like him or admire his writing, but because a local paper is the best investment a community can make. It may not be crowded with great thought, but financially it is of more benefit than both preacher and teacher. Today editors do more for less pay than any men on earth. Patronize your home paper, not as a charity, but as an investment."
—Marquette, Iowa, Democrat.

THE PRESIDENT'S FAILURE.

President Roosevelt never knows when he is up against it. He cannot learn the art of yielding gracefully. Had he any tact he would find out in advance whether his pet measures had any chance of success and act accordingly, but tact and the president are entire strangers. He has again nominated Addicks' man to be district attorney of Delaware and he has again nominated a colored man to a federal position at Charleston. Both appointments failed in confirmation by the senate, but the president by again making them will have his pet in office until congress meets again.

President Roosevelt has accomplished very little since he has been president and he will accomplish less, if he gets another term. He wishes to influence legislation and congress will never consent to abrogate its functions. But Mr. Roosevelt never loses his belief in himself and in his theories. His serenity is to be admired.—Toledo Bee.

SAMUEL NOT IN IT.

Says the Washington Post:
"The Hon. Sam Jones has acquired his consent to run for mayor of Toledo again. Sam was quite a persuasive way with himself."
That will be about as far as it will go this year.—Toledo Bee.

ATTENTION NO. 21, K. OF P.

Regular meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. Work in "Knight Rank." Let all members of the team be present on time. A full attendance requested. Visiting brothers welcome.
E. D. WALLACE, C. C.

Prayer of a horse: "Deliver me from a grocery delivery wagon."

AGREE

On the High School Proposition.

Board Willing

To Again Put It Before the People

With Understanding That Building Shall be Centrally Located.

Two Applications Filed by Those Who Would Like to Succeed Mr. Conrad as Janitor of the Franklin Building.

Eleven out of the fourteen members of the board of education were present at the meeting last night, the three absentees being Fenwick, McNeany and Klatt. It developed that there was but one matter of especial importance, reference being made to the erection of a high school building—long desired but continually hindered because of the unsettled question of location. It became evident last night that the members of the board had practically agreed on a resolution and there was a promise of smooth sailing for the proposition. The only dispute was on a clause which provided that the issuance of \$75,000 was for the purpose of buying grounds and erecting a building. It was suggested that with the purchase clause engrossed in the resolution it became obligatory to buy grounds and several members asked that the paragraph be stricken out. Since the resolution absolutely provides that the high school shall be placed as near the center of population as possible, it appears that it will be necessary to buy grounds, but as the board can so arrange at any time after the bonds are issued, there was no objection to having the change made in the resolution, and it was passed unanimously.

The resolution provides that the question of issuing bonds in the sum of \$75,000 shall be put to a vote of the people at the April election, and since the members of the board are now a unit in having the proposition carry, every voter in the city who is interested in the welfare of the schools is urged to give it his support.

The clerk read two applications for janitorship of the Franklin building, one from John H. Little and the other from Wm. H. Neise. In this connection Mrs. Vicary read a resolution signed by the teachers of the building in which Mr. Conrad the retiring janitor was eloquently praised for his splendid service during the past thirty years. On motion of Mrs. Vicary the board asked Mr. Conrad to retain his position until his successor was appointed. The applications were referred to the teachers and salaries committee.

A communication was received from Mrs. Martha Orchard, of 571 Norwood avenue, Toledo, offering for sale the two pieces of property on the corner of Pierce and Spring streets for the location of a high school building, leaving the board the option of purchasing the property either with or without the houses. Referred to committee.

Mr. Donahue of the committee on buildings and repairs asked that Mr. Chapin, the architect, submit a report on the completion of the recent school house additions and \$100 be held from what is due contractor Woods until the report is read and accepted. Mr. Spyker offered the suggestion that the building and repairs committee examine the buildings and report to the board. Carried.

Superintendent Miller reported the total shoe fund to amount to \$145.77 and the total expenditures was \$164.66, leaving \$18.80 of an overdraft. He requested that another collection be permitted as he was anxious to keep every child in school for the rest of the term, to make up for the frequent absences because of so much sickness. His request was granted.

The board also gave the superintendent permission to place the framed pictures in a vacant hall for the purpose of exhibiting them to the children and the public. An exhibition of school work will also be made at that time.

DANCING PARTY.

Croup instantly relieved. Doctor Thomas Electric Oil. Perfectly safe. Never fails. At any drug store.



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"We're Remodeling"—Don't Mind a Little Dust.

Dress Skirt News.

We now have our new spring and summer line of dress and walking skirts on display and it's the biggest and best line we ever carried. Every lady wants novelty skirts, something just a little different from those worn by nearly every lady she meets. We've got them and at prices that induce every lady to buy. We are making a specialty of fine party dress skirts and they are much cheaper than you can buy the goods and have them made. No two alike.

Black brilliantine, large sizes, \$2.25.

Fine worsted, satin trimmed, \$5.00.

New spring black and cream brilliantines, nicely trimmed, \$5.00.

Broadcloth Dress Skirts, silk and button trimming, black, blue and brown, \$8.00.

Fine black broadcloth with the button and tassel trimming.

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The very finest of Voile, Applique and Medalion trimming, handsome trimmed, silk drop skirts,

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85c to \$12.00.

Big assortment of the new things in waists, silk jackets and tailor made suits now in. We want to show them to you. Come in this week.

All Our New Ready to Wear Hats Are on Display.

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FUNERAL

Of John Williams was Held This Morning.

The funeral of John Williams who was struck and killed by a train at the Market street crossing Saturday night, was held this morning at 10 o'clock, services being conducted by Rev. Carr, of the U. B. church. The remains were interred in Woodlawn cemetery.

When we get baldheaded we do not believe we will comb what hair we have left over the bald spot.
Spring Lamp at Townsend's.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the Board of Deputy Supervisors of Elections, for the printing of tickets and the furnishing of poll books and tally sheets, on the proposition of submitting the question of taxation for the erection of a High School building in the city of Lima, O., at the election to be held Monday, April 6th, 1903. Said bids must be accompanied with a bond for the fulfillment of such bids. Bids will be opened on Friday April 3rd at 9 o'clock a. m., and contract awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.

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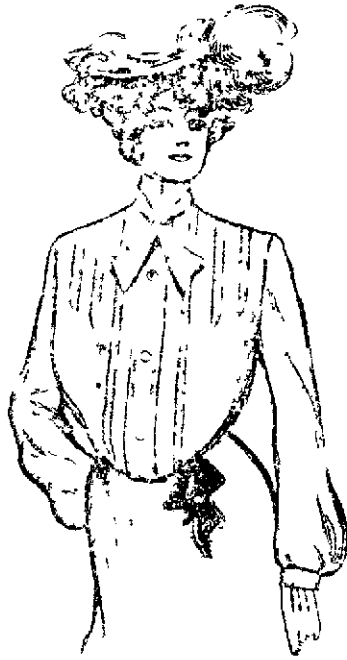
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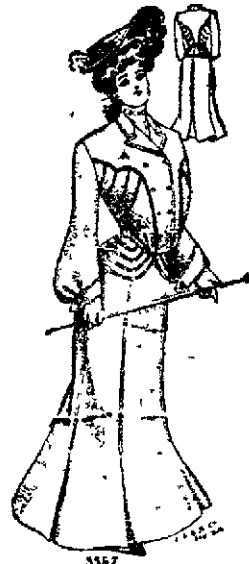
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thirteen Members Voted for
the Acceptance of the
Engine.

Living Committee Makes No Rec-
ommendation to Award Con-
tract for Street Paving—
Council Doings.

The city council met last evening with president Overly in the chair and following members present: Vortump, Shannahan, Haeger Smith, New McCullough, Truesdale, Sherman, Alder, Kenihan, Moses, Bowser and via.

Petition for sewer in west Vine street, between Greenlawn avenue and Atlantic avenue was read and a motion by Mr. Moses was added to a list of sewers recommended by the sewer committee which came up later in the course of the evening.

On motion by Mr. Davis the members of the council were instructed to secure voting places, in the precincts their respective districts for the coming election.

On St. Johns avenue between C & E railroad and Holmes street, an alley between Wayne street and P & W & C R R running west from McDonel street 300 feet Jackson street from Market street to the Ottawa river, McPherson avenue from 200 feet north of Europa street to Elm street, Bickle avenue from Woodard avenue to Charles street, west Elm street, from Collet street to Cole street, Collet street from High street to North street, Metcalf street, south of Kibby street, beginning at the point where the sewer now stops and extend same south about 400 feet, Miller avenue from North street to Market street, Franklin street, from Scott street to Madison avenue, McKibben street, from Metcalf street to Baxter street, west Wayne street, from Jameson avenue to Cole street, south Metcalf street and Atlantic avenue from Elm street to the Ottawa river, McDonel street from Kibby street to the Ottawa river, West street 300 feet north from O'Connor avenue, and west Vine street, between Greenlawn avenue and Atlantic avenue. The report which was signed by Messrs. Keuthan, Sherman, Davis, Moses, Smith and Vortump, was adopted.

The finance committee and solicitor were instructed to secure options on property necessary to secure for the opening of Union street from Vine street to Circular and from Circular street to Elm street.

Finance committee was instructed to allow claim of Emma O'Connor relative to grading or opening of Haller street on the next regular bill day.

The New Fire Steamer.

The acceptance of the new fire steamer received from the W. S. Knott Co. of Minneapolis and that the bill, for \$4,400 be allowed when presented, was recommended. Mr. Davis moved to adopt the recommendation.

Mr. McCullough said he wanted to call attention of the council to the fact that the boiler of the new steamer was leaking badly.

Mr. Smith said there were ten or twelve stay bolts in the boiler that were leaking and some of the pipe taps and the left cylinder head were leaking in the new steamer. He said that the agent of the company seemed greatly elated because the pressure had burst two or three sections of hose when tested, but he did not consider that a recommendation on account of the fact that the same thing was liable to occur in case of a fire and great damage could be done by

being put in the place of the burst by the high pressure. The engine he said could have a relief valve to prevent the bursting of hose. He wanted the engine placed in good condition before the council should talk about accepting it.

Mr. Overly said all new boilers were sure to leak but that the leaks would take up in a short time. He favored accepting the engine.

Mr. Newson wanted to accept the engine as it was. He said the company would make good all defects that might appear and would guarantee the engine for five years.

Resolution awarding the Jameson avenue and Cole street and Lakewood avenue improvement bonds to Well, Roth & Co. of Cincinnati, was adopted.

Mr. Shannahan said, with reference to the bids for the paving of Cole street and Lakewood and Jameson avenue, that he did not think it advisable to award a contract for the work to a contractor who had already constructed street asphalt paving in Lima and had given the city a pavement that now looks worse than a macadamized street. He said other cities seemed able to get good street pavements and he thought it time that the council of this city begin to ascertain the kind of materials that are used in other cities in the construction of good improvements.

Mr. Davis moved that \$50 be appropriated to pay the expenses of the paving committee, the solicitor and engineer and enough other members of the council to make a party of ten, to Columbus to investigate street improvements in that city. The motion was carried.

During the remarks concerning street paving Mr. Shannahan and Mr. Moses each took a shot at E. M. Ayers on account of the condition of Spring street. Mr. Ayers was present and said that California asphalt had been used on Spring street and that he had ceased using that material and would use Trinidad pitch lake asphalt on Cole street and Lakewood avenue in the event that he secured the contract for that work. He said he realized that the committee would go to Columbus to see some rock asphalt work that had been done there, certain contractors having bid on the same kind of material for the proposed improvements in this city. He suggested that the committee go to Ft. Wayne where a sheet asphalt street fifteen years old could be compared with a rock asphalt improvement only

WRECK

Crew Swamped at
Piqua.

Two Lima Men

Injured in a Peculiar
Accident

But Both Escaped Without
Serious Damage and were
Brought Home.

Derrick Upset and One of the Men
was Carried from the Car Into
the Canal—The Other
Jumped.

Two Lima men who are employed with the wrecking crew on the C & D were injured in a peculiar manner at Piqua yesterday, and both were brought home yesterday evening to be cared for until they recover from injuries which were painful but not serious. The Piqua Call gives the following account of the accident.

Samuel Larimer, an employee of the C & D wrecking crew stationed at Lima, was badly hurt yesterday by the overturning of a derrick car on the Favorite Stove Works switch. Another member of the crew also received slight injuries.

The wrecking crew was called from Lima to clear the switch track of a big Illinois Central refrigerator car that had jumped the track on the trestle work over the hydraulic near South street. They had cleared the body of the car from the tracks and had placed it on the west bank of the canal.

ward the canal. Swinging the crane with the trucks around to the east over the water the car was overturned. The upper part of the machinery went into the water while the body of the car rested on the bank.

Larimer endeavored to save himself by jumping, but fell on his back. He was badly hurt on the right side of the spine. He also sustained a severe scalp wound on the left side of the head over the ear and had a multitude of bruises all over the body. He was unable to walk.

The second man, whose name could not be learned was carried into the canal with the derrick. He was assisted out by other members of the crew. His injuries were slight, being nothing more than bruises. Had the members of the crew been less prompt the man might have drowned.

Dr. A. B. Frame, the C & D surgeon, was called and treated Larimer's injuries. The man is not seriously hurt and will recover in the course of a week or two. Both men were taken to Lima yesterday afternoon.

INCREASE

Shown in Spite of Local
Option.

State Auditor Guilbert's Report
Adds a Larger Number of
Saloons to the State.

Saloon statistics prepared by Chas. W. Poe, of State Auditor Guilbert's office show that, despite the fact that local option has closed more than 1,900 saloons in less than a year, there are 267 more drinking places in Ohio than there were last year.

The number of saloons paying the tax, as reported at the last collection, was 10,739 as against 10,472 in January, 1902.

The total revenues for this half year were \$2,026,883.54; for the first half of last year \$1,906,624.28.

Harrison is the only county in the state that reports no saloons. Geauga, formerly dry has now two saloons. The collections are distributed as follows:

State general revenue fund \$609,419.34; municipal police, \$435,850.35; municipal general revenue, \$529,796.83; county poor, \$267,153.49; township, \$134,654.54.

It must be remembered that these

must be doubled to show the entire revenue derived from the traffic.

PERSONAL MENTION.

The Aurora club will dance at the armory Thursday evening, March 26. Chief of police and Mrs. W. S. Mills are rejoicing over the arrival of a charming daughter at their home on the south side.

Mr. and Mrs. U. M. Spaulding of 329½ north Main street, are the proud parents of a newly born son this morning.

C. H. Crockett has bought the Maguire property on Elizabeth street near High street.

I. H. Williams will erect an addition to his Manhattan building, extending on back to Cherry alley.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup seems especially adapted to the needs of the children. Pleasant to take; soothing in its influence. It is the remedy of all remedies for every form of throat and lung disease.

WANTS, FOR RENT, LOST, FOR SALE, ETC.

WANTED—Tailor or tailoress, one who thoroughly understands cleaning and pressing clothes. Apply Chicago Repair Co., 1st door north of Times office. 8-3t

WANTED—About ten or twelve men to work in track service in the L. E. & W. yards. 7-3t

WANTED—Good top delivery wagon, for cash. Care Times-Democrat office. "W" 6-3t

WANTED—Competent girl for general house work. Small family. Good wages. Enquire at once at 512 west Market street. 3-11t

WANTED—Girl for all kinds of cooking and housework, no washing or ironing, good wages. Call at 631 west Market street. 2-3-4t

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Inquire at 214 south Pierce street. 1-3-4t

FOR RENT.

Faurot Opera House.

Tuesday,
March 24.

America's Greatest
Singing Comedian,
Jefferson
DeAngelis

A. J. J. Opera Company in the last work by the composers of Plaflore, Patience, the Mikado, etc.

SIR ARTHUR SULLIVAN
Entitled

The Emerald Isle.
Direct from the New York Broadway
Triumph.

All Special Scenery, chorus of forty voices and the original company, including Jefferson DeAngelis, F. S. Ball, John Dudley, Chas. Duncan, F. K. Logan, Josephine Knapp, Kate Condon, Edna Burr, and forty others.

Prices \$1.50, \$1.00, 75c, 50c and 25c. Seats on sale Monday 11 a. m.

the Metropolitan block. Inquire at Metropolitan bank. 91-4t

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Lot on east McKibben street, near McCullough's lake. A bargain if sold soon. Part cash and balance on time. Enquire of O. E. Bennett, this office, or 975 east High street. 27-11t

FOR SALE—Property, cheap. Owner must raise money. Fourteen rooms in house, small business room attached. Location good, on south Main street. Good chance for someone to make a large profit. See I. Garretson 45 public square. 7-3t

FOR SALE—New seven-room house, cheap, if sold soon want to leave the city. Address P. O. box 312, city. 36-3t

FOR SALE—Eggs for hatching—save express charges, buy at home. 15 eggs from white Wyandotte chickens scoring 98½ points, \$2.00. Call on H. C. Jenkins, 227 North Washington street, Lima, O. 4-11-11t

FOR SALE—Store in good condition base burner. For cash. Apply at Times-Democrat office. 11-11t

LOST.

LOST—White Rosary beads, between Second street and the C. & D. Find or return to Erie hotel and receive reward. 27-3t

LOST—Ladies gold watch. Finder please return to Globe & White's jewelry store and receive reward.

NEWSPAPERARCHIVE®

"DIP"

**May Have Landed
the Ticker.**

Known Crooks

Are Making Headquarters Here.

**Prisoner at Police Station
Suffers an Attack of
"Snakes."**

**Chief Mills Lands Another Young
Man on the Cridersville
Burglar Case. Police
News.**

This morning Mrs. Robert Lott reported to the police department that she had been robbed of a gold watch while doing some shopping in some of the dry goods and millinery stores about town. The police have a description of the missing tucker but have no clue to the identity of the thief. Several crooks of wide reputation are known to be making their headquarters in the city but they are not known to be doing any operating here.

John Clark, the tramp who was arrested by special officer Nutter, of the C. H. & D. for unlawfully riding trains, has developed a mad case of "snakes" since being locked up at the police station. He became violent this morning and Dr. Matthews was called to give him medical attention.

Yesterday chief Mills made another arrest in the Ruchederer robbery case, the prisoner being Ray Young, of Wapakoneta. The prisoner is being held at the police station and has not yet been arraigned in major court. Sheriff Melchior of Wapakoneta came here today to assist chief Mills in investigating Young's case.

Policeman Bilkstein has purchased

a home on east Second street and will soon make his residence

The proprietress of a resort in the red light district reported at the police station today that Ella Cheney, who was sentenced to a term of ninety days imprisonment in the Columbus work house and who was not sent to the work house to serve out the aforementioned sentence, was back at her old stand on Pennsylvania road.

ANOTHER

**Reminder Which Young
Boys Should Heed.**

**Charles Miller, a Van Wert Boy,
Tried to Leap a Train
and was Killed.**

Sunday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock, while trying to board a fast going freight train, Chas. Miller, a Van Wert boy, lost his life. He made two attempts to board the train but failed, and the third time the attempt was fatal. He caught a hold of a car and his feet were pulled from under him. His body was thrown into the air and he lost his grip upon the car step and fell under the wheels. The car wheels passed over his left shoulder badly crushing it, cut his right wrist and completely severed his head. There were two large scalp wounds in the back of the head, but there was not a mark on his body. He was sixteen years of age and his parents reside in Van Wert. Coroner Jackson was immediately called and has given as his finding, that the boy met death while unlawfully trying to board a train.

SPECIAL BARGAINS.

One large lot on paved portion of west Market street, \$700, on easy payments.

KALB & THRIFT,
336 ft 34 Opera House Block

Spring tiredness, feel ugly, tired, no life feel mean all over. Take Rocky Mountain Tea. Clears out winter microbes. A tonic for the tired and sick. 35 cents.

For sale by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

Dr. Matthews has removed into the rooms formerly occupied by Dr. McCall in the Holland block. 33-61.

CARROLL & COONEY. CARROLL & COONEY.

New Carpets!

**Where to Buy Them.
and Why.**

Our constant endeavor is to make merchandise go direct from the producer to the consumer along the paths of least resistance; to remove as many obstacles as possible; to reduce to a minimum all waste in handling by bringing the manufacturer and consumer in as close touch as possible. We buy all

Carpets

From the makers, thus eliminating all middlemen's profits and we are the only concern in Lima that can make this claim truthfully. Our spring stock is now complete and is larger than any previous year. Our prices are the very lowest possible, consistent with reliable quality and first-class workmanship.

**CARROLL
& COONEY.**

CITY

**Defending a Dam-
age Suit.**

Good Big Sum

**Asked for by Mrs.
Cora Harshe**

**Who Received Injuries Be-
cause of a Defective
Sidewalk.**

**Two Bran New Divorce Suits Have
Come to Light Within the
Past Twenty-four
Hours.**

The city is defending an action to day which was brought by Mrs. Cora E. Harshe. The plaintiff claims to have suffered a permanent injury Oct. 9, 1901, while walking along west Kibby street between Greenlawn avenue and the Shawnee road. Owing to a defective sidewalk she says she caught her left foot between the planks and was thrown violently to the ground. Her ankle was fractured and badly sprained, rendering her lame for life. She makes a demand for \$5000 and attorney Tom Hamilton represents her. Solicitor Bentley is looking after the interests of the city.

And Still They Come.

Elizabeth Moss seeks a divorce from George Moss on the grounds of cruelty, gross neglect of duty and adultery. According to the petition prepared by Leete & Brotherton, they were married Dec. 2, 1901, at Bellefontaine and complaint is made that the defendant frequently beat his wife only recently using a broom stick for that purpose. As to the charge of adultery, the name of Grace Coffin is mentioned as corespondent.

Another Woman in It.

Ed Eicher, a former employ in the Detroit Southern offices here, is named as defendant in a divorce action filed by Attorney Kahle yesterday on behalf of Miss Nellie Eicher. Infidelity is charged the defendant standing accused in the petition of paying undue attention to a Columbus woman while he was boarding in this city. The couple were married at Akron, Aug. 8, 1900, and having no children Mrs. Eicher asks that the court restore her maiden name, which was Nellie Ridout.

A Live Spring Term.

With the opening of court in April, the past few weeks of "innocuous desuetude" will be lost in the whirl of a busy term. At least the promise is such and judging by a calendar of civil suits selected from a few cases filed and old cases passed the jury will have more work and less rest. As for the criminal matters, the public is well acquainted with facts and circumstances which are sure to lead to a busy term after the grand jury gets through with a series of investigations. Adding what is promised to what was offered during the last term, there is sure to be enough to keep judge, jury and attorneys busy for several weeks to come.

In Probate Court.

Mrs. Amanda Reichelderfer, administrator of the estate of Jacob Reichelderfer, deceased, and the woman whose home was robbed by the masked men near Cridersville last week, has filed a final account showing the amount of distribution to be \$5,035.37.

The first account of Aivi Breese, guardian of C. E. Breese, was filed yesterday.

Real Estate Transfers.

D. D. Nicholas to Nettie Patrick, land in Sugar Creek township, \$20.
Joshua M. Jameson to Lucy Williams, lot on Central avenue, \$940.
S. W. Kemp and wife to Earl Burden, lot in Kemp, \$250.
Gordon G. Graves to Edward Camper, lot 1908 n. Reese's addition, \$1,450.

HOHL'S ROW

**Reported to Have Another
Case of Small-pox.**

This afternoon it was reported that another case of small pox had developed on what is known as Hohl's row, next door to the home of the Swab family, where a case was quarantined, Sunday. Health officer Matthews is investigating the report.

The Dorcas Society meets with Mrs. Von Mon, 408 east High street, on Thursday afternoon. Bring your list of names. Mrs. C. Stuppert, president.

SENIOR

**Class of Lima Will
Select an Orator**

**To Compete With Other
Schools at Van Wert.**

**Interest in the Oratorical Contest
Has Grown Every Year and
Will be a Big Feature
in 1903.**

Lima will have a representative to take part in the annual Northwestern Ohio oratorical contest. Superintendent Miller made that announcement at the board of education meeting last night, but did not fix any definite date for the preliminaries which will decide who is to be sent to the seat of war. There is plenty of talent to choose from, the senior class offering a splendid opportunity to send either one of the young ladies or gentlemen to represent the city.

It is not a question of choosing one from a city which has had no chance of carrying off the laurels. Ability is the only thing that counts and it is divided into classes which demand a first class showing as to oratory, elocution and literary talent. If one city gathers in the honors this year it has the same chance of doing so the year following. It is pleasing to note, however, that the prizes have been distributed during the past few years, Lima, Upper Sandusky, Ottawa and now Van Wert coming in for the same enjoyment which all have enjoyed. Each year has seen an increase in the enthusiasm and Van Wert will have a thousand or more visitors to take care of when the match comes off.

The date decided on is April 15 and several of the competing high schools in the district will have the best talent they can send to work for the honor.

Water rents for first half of year 1903, are now due and payable. J. N. Hutchinson, Secretary. 26-a-d-1m

GERMAN

**Society Will Participate in
St. Louis Meeting.**

**Committee Returns After Having
Secured Quarters for the Lima
Party in That City.**

Messrs. A. Weikelbaum, George Feltz, Phil Walther and Henry Wemmer, of the Orion Maennerchor, have returned from St. Louis where they went to secure quarters for the society which is preparing to attend the North American Saengerbund to be held in the mound city, commencing June 15th. Societies from all parts of the country will attend the meeting and it is expected that a chorus of about 1000 voices will participate in the event. Quarters were secured at the Lindall for the accommodation of the Lima society.

While in St. Louis the Lima gentlemen had the pleasure of hearing Mrs. William Homer sing in the Jewish temple of that city. Mrs. Homer was formerly Miss Winnifred Sullivan, of this city, daughter of Thomas Sullivan, of east Market street. Her magnificent voice made her a favorite in Lima for many years and she is now the highest salaried vocalist in any of St. Louis' churches.

Thousands believe we have found the secret of perpetual youth. The elixir of life in Rocky Mountain Tea, makes and keeps people young. 35 cents.

For sale by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

"EXCUSES"

**Subject Tonight at Wayne
Street Church of Christ.**

Mr. Brundige will preach tonight on the great subject: "Excuses." Hear this sermon Wednesday night by request he will speak on the subject of "Baptism." Thursday night, "Reaping." Friday night "Memory." The quartette will sing tonight. A number will be baptised after the sermon. Everybody welcome.

NORTH SIDE

**Fire Department Made a Run
This Morning.**

The north side fire department was called out early this morning to extinguish a small fire at 682 west Kibby street. Very little damage was done.



**A Brilliant Display
of the New**

Wash Dress Fabrics.**Dotted Mousselines.**

Dainty and stylish light weight Dress material, in all the prettiest evening and street colors.

Dotted Mousselines and cotton, 12½c.
Dotted Mousselines and fancy, 18c.
Fancy Scroll Mousselines at 20c.
Fancy Figured Mousselines at 25c.
Silk Striped Mousselines at 50c.
Plain Silk Mousselines at 50c.
Fancy Striped Silk Mousselines at 60c.

Mercerized White Modras and Oxford Cloth.

Very attractive styles in high lustrous finish. Narrow and wide fancy stripes, neat figures, scroll pattern and plain canvas weave.
Oxford, with dot and stripes, 15c.
Scotch Oxfords, polka dots, 12½c.
Oxfords, mercerized stripes, at 30c.
Oxfords, white with colored figures, 38c.
Oxfords, white and black checks, 50c.

Fine Dress Gingham.

This season's newest styles in narrow and wide fancy stripes at 5c, 10c and 12½c per yard.

Colored Dress Goods.

(First Floor.)

Beautiful Mohairs, plain, striped or plaid, dotted, as you like, 50c to \$1.25.

Mohair has been made a thing of beauty this spring. Plain Mohairs both in blacks and colors, browns, blues, grays and tans, at 50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.25.

Mohairs covered with metallic dots, inches wide, at 50c per yard.

Bouretted Mohair, with irregular humps of wool scattered through it, at \$1.25 per yard, in white and tan ground.

Summer Curtains.

Fifty styles of Ruffled Curtains alone from the modest dotted Swiss to the fancy colored curtains.

Ruffled Curtains, 45-inches wide three yards long, finished at top ready for the rods also with lace edge and trimmed, at \$1.75, \$2, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3, \$3.25, \$3.50, \$4 and \$4.50.



**Dress
Goods.**

**Suit
House.**

55-57 Public square.

**FORTY**

**Hours Devotion Services Be-
gan Last Night**

**And Close This Evening With a
Sermon by Father Quinn
of Van Wert.**

The high March wind and the down pour of rain last night did not dampen the ardor of those who wished to attend the services of the forty hours devotion now in progress at St. Rose church. The large seating capacity of the church was taxed and the sermon delivered by the Rev. Geo. H. Ricken of Eustoria was a grand treat. Father Ricken preached his sermon from the following text: "What will I do and suffer the loss of his immortal soul."

During his able discourse Father Reiken said in part:

"My dear brethren, There is a question recurring ever and anon to the minds of men whether he be in the pleasure or society hall, whether his heart be bright as the unclouded sky, or overshadowed by the dark cloud of sorrow; it is this, 'What would it profit a man if he gained the whole world and lose his own soul?' What will all the riches and honor of the world profit a man if on the last day he hears those dreadful words, 'Depart from me you cursed into everlasting fire.' My God can it be possible that you who have created and redeemed me could say such words? Can it be possible that I, who was baptized in this church, and whose name is inscribed in the record books of this church, that my name is not written in the record book of life. This sentence, my dear friends, is heard when ever the soul leaves the body in the state of mortal sin."

"The Forty Hours Devotion is a season of adoration, when our Savior is on the altar longing for the companionship of his children. Let us, then, during this season, try to understand that of all the things on earth, the salvation of our soul is the only thing necessary. Let us ask the question, what is my soul worth? We will appeal to those around us to give a correct answer. First, let us ask the Eternal Father, 'My Father who art in Heaven, what is the value of my soul?' The Father says, 'In the beginning was the word and the word was by God.'"

Further on he said:

"God said let there be light, and the world was deluged in a flood of light. God spoke and the waters of the deep were peopled with fishes. One thing yet was wanting; this was the high priest, the three persons of the Blessed Trinity entered into the council with themselves and said: Let us make man to our own image and likeness. The man was created."

He concluded his discourse with a story he told a short time ago. It ran thus:

There was a young man, a noble man, who was reared by his parents a

good Catholic. At the age of twelve his parents died and for a time the youth kept in the path of virtue, but unfortunately he fell into bad society and it was not long until he became weak and unfaithful in his religion and no longer went to church or the sacraments. It happened that on the eve of his last birthday while he and some companions were on their way to his villa to celebrate the event they passed the church where the young man was baptized. Let us go in and see what the old priest has to say about the youth. They entered. The priest was relating a story about a hunter and a stag. This story so touched the heart of the youth that he resolved to repent. His companions, by much persuasion finally induced him to enjoy the day at the villa promising that next day they would all go to confession. That evening the villa and while feasting and toasting the young man began to blaspheme saying, 'How foolish I was to let the words of that priest annoy me. I will give up religion never again shall I bend my knee in reverence to God.' While thus speaking, a blood vessel burst he fell to the floor crying out, 'This is my third call and I am damned.' The solemn closing services of the devotion will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock at which time the Rev. P. J. Quinn, the talented young pastor of St. Mary's church, of Van Wert, will deliver the closing sermon.

ANOTHER

**New Flat Building to be
Erected.**

**J. H. Bushong Has Purchased the
Ashton Property on West
Market Street.**

The property at 311 west Market street has been sold by Mrs. Ashton to J. H. Bushong, a resident of west Spring street, but who conducts a large stove factory at Columbus Grove. The residence is an old one and will be moved to the rear of the lot to make room for the erection of a five story flat. It is the intention of Mr. Bushong to build a handsome pressed brick building which shall be modern in every particular. It will be 150 feet deep and occupy almost the entire frontage of the 60 foot lot, leaving enough room for plenty of light in case of other like buildings going up on either side. There will be 12 suites in the block, each provided with a separate bath and the kitchens will contain permanent ranges. The plans were made by Leech & Leech and the contract will be let within thirty days, thus promising a completion of the block by early fall.

It takes a widow to properly handle a lady killer.

COMMITTEE

**Will Go to Columbus to In-
spect Rock Asphalt.**

**Members of the Council Not Satis-
fied With the Sheet Asphalt
Streets of This City.**

The purpose of the members of the paving committee of the city council in going to Columbus, as they will next Thursday, is to inspect the streets in the capital city that are paved with rock asphalt. The members of the council and especially those of the paving committee, are dissatisfied with the sheet asphalt pavement that have been constructed in this city and as one of the contracting firms that submitted bids for the proposed improvements of Cole street and Lakewood avenue, gave quotations on rock asphalt, the members are anxious to ascertain whether or not they would be justified in adopting this material for local paving improvements.

The committee will leave here over the C. & E. at 3:46 o'clock Thursday morning.

SEVERED

**His Connection With the
L. E. & W.**

**Freight Agent Upp Has Resigned
and May Go Into Private
Business.**

J. H. Upp, freight agent for the L. E. & W. has tendered his resignation to general manager Dyer and will sever his connection with the road on April 1. Mr. Upp has several propositions facing him, but has not determined just what he will do. He has been in Lima long enough to get attached to the city and may decide to go into some business aside from railroad work which will insure him a permanent residence here. His successor in Lima has not been announced.

TERMINING WITH BACTERIA

is the Verdict Given by Chemists Regarding Tiffin's Water Supply.

E. G. Horton, bacteriologist and chemist for the state board of health, has pronounced Tiffin's water supply utterly unfit for domestic use. The samples examined by him were found to be literally teeming with bacteria to the number of 25,000 in one million parts. Other samples in large numbers were also found.